photo by Allen Austin

Mrs. Marvin Hugh Mitchell

Miss Ferguson wed to Mr. Mitchell

The marriage of Miss Rita Gail Ferguson to Marvin Hugh Mitchell took place on Saturday afternoon, June 6, at 2:00 p.m. in New Hope Baptist Church in Vera, Virginia.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Oral Ferguson of Appomattox, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Mitchell, also of Appomattox.

The Reverend Clarence Davis, former pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, officiated at the double ring ceremony.

A program of nuptial music was provided by Mrs. James Burks, III, organist. Miss Tamara Nash, soloist, sang "The Wedding Song", "Because", and "The Wedding Prayer".

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Mr. Oral Ferguson.

The bride wore a gown with a fitted bodice of Alecon lace embroidered with seed pearls and accented by full bishop sleeves. The gown had a crystal pleated organdy overskirt that flows into a cathedral train. Her veil was fingertip length with lace cap embroidered in seed pearls to match the bodice of her gown. She carried a bouquet of yellow silk roses, yellow and white carnations, daisies, and baby's breath.

Miss Margie Coleman was Rita's maid of honor, she wore a dress of polyester matt in the softest shade of lemon, accentuated by a bodice of chantilly border lace and all lace long sleeves. The dress had a high mandarin neck of the same lace and a soft matching tie belt with a rose of the same fabric woven at the side of the snug fitting waist of a full line skirt.

The attendants were Mrs. David (Rhonda) Stratton; Mrs. Jeff (Tammy) Henderson, sister of the bride; Miss Lisa Ferguson, sister of the bride; and Miss Donna Mitchell, sister of the bridegroom, all of Appomattox. The attendants wore the same matt polyester dress in the palest shade of mint.

Mr. Hugh Mitchell, father of the groom was best man and the ushers were Calvin Mitchell, twin brother of the groom from Lynchburg; Wayne Johnson, cousin of the groom from South Boston; John Smith, friend of the groom from Lynchburg; and Dean Nash, cousin of the groom from Appomattox. All wore pale gray tuxedos with matching ascots.

Christy Page of Pamplin was flower girl, and Brian Goodrich, cousin of the groom from Appomattox acted as ring bearer.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church social hall.

The bride is a graduate of Appomattox County High School and attended Phillip's Business College. She is employed as a secretary to Harry G. Lawson, Attorney at Law in Appomattox, Virginia.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Appomattox County High School and Central Virginia Community College, and is employed by Wiley and Wilson of Lynchburg, Virginia.

After a trip to Florida, the couple will make their home in Appomattox, Virginia.

Gina Kay Adams

Miss Adams engaged to Mr. Mitchell

Gina Kay Adams of Pamplin, and Maymond Lewis Mitchell, Jr. of Appomattox are very proud to announce their wedding engagement.

Miss Adams is a 1981 graduate of Appomattox County High School.

Mr. Mitchell is a 1979 graduate of Appomattox County High School, and is employed by Armstrong Furniture.

The wedding will take place on July 16.

Infant christened

Thomas Christopher Maxwell, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Maxwell of Appomattox, was christened at the baptismal service held on Sunday, May 31 at St. Paul's church in Lynchburg.

The Rev. Earl Brown, rector of the church officiated.

Godparents were Helen Anderson of Lynchburg, Stuart Hailey of Roanoke and Winifred Nash of Appomattox.

Guests were invited to a luncheon at the Maxwell home immediately following the ceremony.

Cynthia Dawn Hix
Nathan Stewart Smith

Miss Hix engaged to Mr. Smith

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hix of Pamplin announce the engagement of their daughter Cynthia Dawn to Nathan Stewart Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Moses (Dick) Smith of Spout Spring.

Miss Hix is a graduate of Appomattox County High School and Radford University where she received a Bachelor's degree in Home Economics-Child Development and Family Life.

Mr. Smith is a graduate of Appomattox County High School and attended CVCC and Iowa State University. He is currently employed with Appomattox Truck and Tractor.

The wedding will take place at Elon Baptist Church on August 22 at 7:00. All relatives and friends are invited to attend.

Kress celebrates birthday

Mrs. Vinia Kress celebrated her eighty-fifth birthday on May 25, 1981.

Although Mrs. Kress remains ill at her home and was unable to actively participate, a dinner was given in her honor by her daughter, Mrs. Hazel Johnson, at the Johnson residence.

Those attending the celebration were Rev. and Mrs. Earnie Lucas, Mrs. Debra Cooper and son, Travis, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Johnson, Mrs. Martha Cox, Mrs. Eula Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson, Jr.

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OES meet set

Appomattox Chapter #10 Order of the Eastern Star will hold their regular stated meeting on Monday, June 15, 1981, at 7:30 p.m.

All members are encouraged to attend.

SHANNON HELENE JAMERSON, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jamerson, was crowned Little Miss Appomattox on May 17. Shannon will be representing Appomattox this summer at the state pageant with her entry fee paid by the Appomattox Junior Woman's Club, sponsors of the local pageant. (Photo by Robert E. Pankey)

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Obituaries

Essie Kestner Franklin

Essie Kestner Franklin, 75, Route 1, Appomattox, died Thursday, June 4, at her residence. She was the wife of Burke H. Franklin.

She was born in Tennessee, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Kestner. She was a member of Liberty Baptist Church.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by one brother, T. B. Kestner, Appomattox; three sisters, Mrs. Virgie White, Appomattox, Mrs. Viola Franklin, Spout Spring, and Mrs. Myrtle Gilmer, Bristol, Tenn.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday at Robinson Funeral Home by the Rev. Danny Penny. Burial was in Liberty Cemetery.

Robinson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

John W. Gunter

John W. Gunter, 81, Route 3, died at 10:20 a.m. Wednesday, June 3, at the Medical Care Center. He was the husband of the late Virginia Alvis Gunter.

Born in Buckingham County, he was a son of the late William Thomas Gunter and Willie Ann McFadden Gunter. He was a retired farmer, a substitute rural mail carrier for the U. S. Postal Service, and a member of Liberty Chapel Baptist Church.

He is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Bessie G. O'Brien, Appomattox, and Mrs. Thelma G. Emmert, Lexington, Ky.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Friday at Liberty Chapel Baptist Church by the Rev. J. N. Williams. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Robinson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

William Edell Martin

SPOUT SPRING - William Edell Martin, 83, of Route 1, died Saturday afternoon, June 6 in Medical Care Center following a long illness.

Born in Appomattox County, he was a son of the late Luther E. Martin and Leviann Brooks Martin. He was a retired carpenter and farmer and a member of Salem Mehtodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Irene Cyrus Martin; three sons, W. Harold Martin and Richard H. Martin, both of Spout Spring and E. Eugene Martin, Appomattox; three daughters, Mrs. Irene Wright, Madison Heights, Mrs. Lucy Patterson, Appomattox, and Mrs. Alice Johnson, Lexington, N. C.; one brother, James Allen Martin Sr., Spout Spring; one sister, Mrs. Vara M. Cyrus, Spout Spring; 12 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Monday from Robinson Funeral Home by the Rev. George Kreidel. Burial was in Spout Spring Baptist Church cemetery.

Robinson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Erma Stanley Page

Erma Stanley Page, 65, of 3238 Maryland Ave. died at 5:15 a.m. Tuesday, June 2 at Camelot Hall Nursing Home following a long illness. She was the wife of the late Curtis James Page.

Born in Appomattox County, she was a daughter of the late William Harrington Stanley and Emma Ferguson Stanley. She was a member of Fairview Methodist Church.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Eloise Morrison of Lynchburg and Mrs. Betty George and Mrs. Irma Marie Eckart, both of Bedford; three sisters, Mrs. G. B. Doss and Mrs. Samuel L. Page, both of Appomattox, and Mrs. Zadia S. Knight of Lynchburg; four brothers, Harry B. Stanley and Edwin T. Stanley, both of Appomattox, Clarence H. Stanley of Lynchburg and William B. Stanley of Madison Heights, and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday at Robinson Funeral Home. Burial was in Liberty Cemetery.

Robinson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

First Baptist news

Revival services will begin at the First Baptist Church this Sunday, June 14 at 11:00 a.m.

The afternoon service will begin at 2:00 p.m. The United Methodist Church of Christia, Delaware will be our special guest. Dinner will be served, everyone is invited. The Rev. Horace E. Sphears will be our evangelist for the week. Prayer service will begin at 7:30 and service at 8:00 p.m.

Oakville news

June 1 - Rev. Terrell Brown preached an inspiring sermon at Red Oak Baptist Church Sunday a.m. with good attendance.

Red Oak Church will hold its Bible Vacation School June 8-12. Mt. Comfort Methodist Church will also hold its Bible Vacation School June 8-12.

Mrs. David T. Lair of Covington, Va. spent several days last week in the home of Mrs. Walter Moore and visited other relatives too.

Mrs. Robert Lucado visited her sister, Mrs. Thelma Thornhill Sunday p.m.

Mrs. Floyd Hamilton visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lucado over the weekend.

Mrs. Marshall Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Riley Megginson visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rob Martin of Pamplin Sunday p.m.

VIEWPOINTS, WITH TERRIE CONRAD, a weekly interview-type program will air Thursday evening, June 11 from 7:00 to 7:30 on WTTX Radio. Conrad, born in Richmond, moved to the Falls Church area at age four. She attended Ferrum Junior College and Northern Virginia Community College. With work experience in many areas, she is well qualified to plan and conduct programs of wide interest. In speaking of the new endeavor, Conrad has this to say, "Having lived in the Washington area, I feel like I've dealt with enough interesting people to have a good format. I even hope to go into Richmond and have some interviews with legislators." She and her husband, Tom Conrad, are the parents of two children and reside at Rt. 1, Appomattox.

Benefit 'swim-ins' set

Two "Swim-ins" have been scheduled this month by the Appomattox Chapter of the American Cancer Society. These wil be held at the Traveller's Inn Motel pool on two subsequent Sundays, June 14 and 21.

A donation of $5.00 per person allows them the privilege of swimming from 12 noon until 5:00 p.m.

The funds collected are to be used in the 1981 Crusade Fund Drive which is presently going on.

The Appomattox Unit board members will appreciate your help.

A total of $6,345.84 has been raised to date toward the goal of $7,100.00.

Chairman for the American Cancer Society Crusade Goal is Mrs. Janet Noble. You may call her anytime at Tarveller's Inn for further information.

AARP meeting set

On June 16 at 12 noon the Pamplin Chapter of American Association of Retired Persons will hold their regular monthly meeting at the Pamplin Charge United Methodist Church. After their luncheon they will have Mr. Ray Noble on hand to receive a donation for the fine services rendered by the Appomattox Rescue Squad.

Mr. Noble will give the group a talk on the equipment and operation of the squad.

The meeting should be a very interesting one and a very good attendance is expected to be present.

AMS news notes

The Appomattox Junior chapter of the Virginia Association, Future Homemakers of America, received the Outstanding Chapters Award today. This State award was presented at the Annual Awards Day program at Appomattox Middle School. Appomattox Junior FHA chapter received this award for accomplishments this year in working in the areas of personal development, strengthening home and family living, community involvement, and jobs and careers.

Miss Anne Caldwell, representing the 140 members of the Junior chapter, accepted the award. Mrs. Clara B. Staten and Pat Hudson are chapter advisors and home economics teachers.

In the Litter Control Citizen's Support contest, club members gathered signatures of citizen's pledging to help in our efforts to keep our county clean.

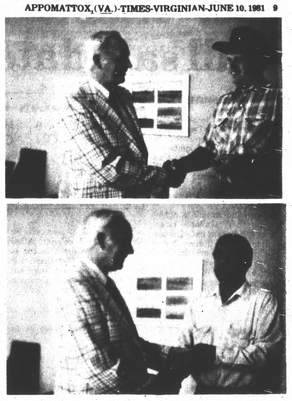
2nd place - with $40 for the club treasury goes to the Spirit Club. 1st place - with $60 for the club treasury goes to the FHA.

This year clubs chose areas of the school and school grounds to keep clean and make more attractive. Faculty and staff observed these areas and judged them. Honorable mention goes to the following clubs: Science club, Spirit Club, Broadcast Club and Tri Hi Y.

3rd place - with $20- for club treasury for their work on the school grounds goes to FFA.

2nd place - with $30 for club treasury for their work in the main hallway goes to FHA and

1st place - with $50 for club treasury for their outstanding improvements in the cafeteria goes to the SCA.



W. L. LOWE, VICE PRESIDENT and plant manager of Armstrong's Appomattox plant, recently presented two Armstrong Furniture employees with Safe Driver Awards. Steve Seay, (left photo) accepted an award for four years, and Oscar Larry Moore (right photo) was honored for two years' safe driving.

Play auditions slated

Auditions for **Guys and Dolls** will be held Monday, June 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the Appomattox Depot. There are approximately-forty roles for teenagers and adults. The show will be produced at the end of July.

The Frank Loesser hit, dubbed "a Musical Fable of Broadway" is set in the late 1940's and centers around the misadventures of some New York gamblers and their girlfriends. This musical features such songs as "A Bushel and A Peck," "Take Back Your Mink," and "Luck, Be A Lady."

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The family room is in a wing from the breakfast area. It has view to the front and back yards. Deck access is shown and direct access to alternate rear stair to second floor as well as access to laundry and double side-entry garage are included.

The second floor incorporates a luxurious master bedroom suite with walk-in closet, twin lavatory bath with corner tub and private commode and shower compartment. The master bedroom is totally private, entrance being from balcony.

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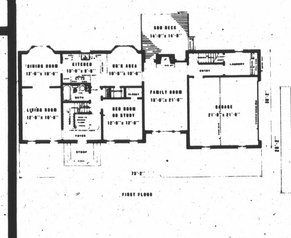

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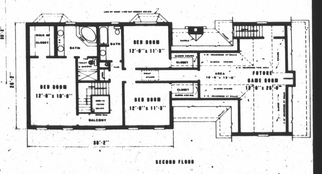

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